# ANDOVER CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 18, 2104

Town of Andover 36 Bartlet Street 3rd Floor Conference Room 7:45pm

#### **Conservation Members in Attendance:**

Chairman Don Cooper, Vice Chairman Kevin Porter, Commissioner Alix Driscoll, Commissioner Ellen Townson, Commissioner Jon Honea, Commissioner Floyd Greenwood and Commissioner Philip Sutherland. Staff members present were Robert Douglas, Director of Conservation and Linda Cleary, Conservation Agent.

### **SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

#### 14 Granli Drive

Staff Recommendation: Approve as Pos.2b, Neg.3 and Neg.6

Present in Interest: Katarina Hornung

Public Hearing on a Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Katarina Hornung under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, and/or Andover Wetlands Protection By-Law for the proposed replacement of existing septic system and abandonment of existing septic system at **14 Granli Drive.** 

Agent Cleary presented this to the Commission. Basic septic repair under the WPA only and not ruling on the wetland line. All work is 50 feet from the BVW. Some yard waste was observed within the BVW and will be removed by homeowner.

Chairman Cooper asked for a Motion. Vice Chairman Porter made a Motion to Approve as Pos.2b, Neg. 3 and Neg.6; it was seconded by Commissioner Driscoll and unanimously approved.

#### **42 Stirling Street**

Staff Recommendation: Approve as Pos.2b, Neg.3 and Neg.6

Present in Interest: EJ Schneider

Public Hearing on a Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Barry and Amy Finegold under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, and/or Andover Wetlands Protection

By-Law for the proposed extension of existing deck and construction of an addition at **42 Stirling Street.** 

Mr. Douglas presented this to the Commission. A waiver for engineered plans is being requested. All work is over 60 feet from the BVW and the project meets our setback requirements. Chairman Cooper asked that a snow fence or some indication of the limit of work be included in the Special Conditions.

Chairman Cooper asked for a Motion. Commissioner Driscoll made a Motion to Approve as Pos.2b, Neg. 3 and Neg.6; and approval of the waiver request; it was seconded by Vice Chairman Porter and unanimously approved.

#### Fraser Drive, Lot #2

Staff Recommendation: Continue.

**Present in Interest: Matt Hamor and Matt Ireland** 

Public Hearing on a Notice of Intent filed by Belvidere Hill Group, LLC under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, § 40 and/or the Andover Wetlands Protection By-law, Article XIV, for proposed construction of a single family dwelling, septic system and driveway at **Lot 2, Fraser Drive.** 

Mr. Douglas presented these to the Commission. A waiver for trees 10" or less not shown on the plan is requested due to the trees being shown on the original subdivision plan on file for the roadway work. The lot is already cleared from the work on the water loop to Knollcrest Drive. Chairman Cooper expressed his concern with the 12 foot slope. Matt Hamor advised that the slope will be 3:1 slope which will be vegetated or stabilized if not the growing season. Vice Chairman Porter asked that it be stabilized during the winter months. Matt Ireland stated that the lot will remain as is until spring, then the lot will be leveled out and fill brought in. All of the other lots are 3:1 and there have been no erosion control problems during storm events. He intends to use large boulders to hold the slope.

Commission members will conduct a site walk individually.

Chairman Cooper asked for a Motion. Commissioner Driscoll made a Motion to continue to December 2, 2014; it was seconded by Commissioner Honea and unanimously approved.

# **ACTION ITEMS:**

**276 North Main Street** 

Staff Recommendation: Approve as Insignificant Change.

**Present in Interest: Maureen Hanley** 

Request for Finding of Significance for the installation of a 6 inch ductile iron waterline from North Main Street to a proposed fire hydrant and a 1 inch waterline from the hydrant to the Arden Casino at **276 North Main Street.** 

This is a minor modification to the previously approved plan. The Town's fire safety officer has asked that the Commission approve the modification. The haybale line will be extended and the silt fence will be inspected by Conservation Staff or appointed site monitor.

Commissioner Honea made a Motion to find the changes Insignificant; it was seconded by Commissioner Greenwood and unanimously approved.

#### 213 River Road

Staff Recommendation: Continue.

# **Present in Interest: Maureen Hanley**

Schedule site visit to confirm wetland line and resolve encroachment issues.

The wetland may be disturbed and they are logging in the Fish Brook Watershed which is a priority 1.

Site visit scheduled for 8:00am November 21, 2014.

## 19 County Road

Staff Recommendation: Approve.

Request for temporary cessation of site monitoring.

Commissioner Greenwood made a Motion to approve; it was seconded by Commissioner Driscoll and unanimously approved.

#### 83 Porter Road

Staff Recommendation: Approve.

Request for temporary cessation of site monitoring.

Vice Chairman Porter made a Motion to approve; it was seconded by Commissioner Greenwood and unanimously approved.

# **CONSENT AGENDA:**

#### Minutes

Approval of minutes from November 4, 2014.

# Merrimack College - Volpe Center

Issuance of a Partial Certificate of Compliance.

# High Plain Road 239-256

Issuance of a Certificate of Compliance.

#### 1 Burtt Road

Issuance of a Satisfactory Completion of Work Certificate. Tabled.

Commissioner Honea to Approve the Consent Agenda; it was seconded by Commissioner Driscoll and unanimously approved.

# **LATE/DISCUSSION ITEMS THAT MAY REQUIRE A VOTE:**

#### 28 Cross Street

Ratification of an Emergency Certification issued per the Board of Health. Commissioner Honea made a Motion to ratify the Emergency Certification; it was seconded by Commissioner Driscoll and unanimously approved.

# **Groundwater Hydrologist**

Commissioner Townson spoke with MACC and they provided 5 or 6 names of groundwater hydrologists. Included on that list were LEC Environmental and Horsley Whitten Group. Linda agreed to contact both do see if they were interested in doing consulting on an as needed basis. Mr. Douglas suggested a lecture on groundwater. Commissioner Honea suggested a lecture at the library sponsored by the Commission for the public.

#### **6 Azalea Drive**

Issuance of an Enforcement Order for installation of a pool and associated ground work and grading at the edge of a wetland with no sedimentation control or permit. Work is to cease and desist, sedimentation fabric installed and the area stabilized.

Commissioner Driscoll made a Motion to issue the Enforcement Order; it was seconded by Vice Chairman Porter and unanimously approved.

The Commission entered into Executive Session to discuss land acquisition and will not return to open session

The next meeting will be held December 2 at 7:45pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm by Motion of Vice Chairman Porter and seconded by Commissioner Honea and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by,

Lynn Viselli, Recording Secretary